

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

1. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to Applicants, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it **MUST** be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Ms. Jeanne A. Di Grazio on August 14, 2009.

The application has been amended as follows:

Claim 20 has been cancelled for being a substantial duplicate of the claim from which it depends (**Claim 16**).

Claims 13, 14 and 19 have been cancelled, Applicants reserving the right to file a divisional application thereon under the provisions of 35 U.S.C. 121.

In **Claim 15**, line 2, "purification" has been deleted. In the last line, "tank." has been deleted and -- tank, said steps being applied to the vertical sublimation apparatus of claim 1. -- has been substituted therefor.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to BRITTANY M. MARTINEZ whose telephone number is (571) 270-3586. The examiner can normally be reached Monday-Friday 8:30AM-5:00PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Stanley Silverman can be reached at (571) 272-1358. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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